

Italy

Travel Facts



US State Department Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens exercise increased caution due to terrorism. <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

Passport/Visa Requirements

For the latest passport and visa requirements for this country, please consult the U.S. State Department's "Learn About Your Destination" search tool, available through the link below.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages.html>

US Embassy/Consulate

(+39) 06-4674-1; US Embassy Rome, via Vittorio Veneto 121, 00187 Roma, Italy; uscitizenrome@state.gov;

<https://it.usembassy.gov/>

LGBTQIA+, Women, and Special Needs Travelers

Additional travel considerations can be found on the US State Department's International Travel page.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/before-you-go/travelers-with-special-considerations.html>

Telephone Code

39

Local Emergency Phone

Ambulance: 112, 118; Fire: 112, 115; Police: 112, 113

Vaccinations

The CDC and WHO recommend the following vaccinations for Italy: hepatitis A, hepatitis B, rabies, tickborne encephalitis, meningitis, polio, measles, mumps and rubella (MMR), Tdap (tetanus, diphtheria and pertussis), chickenpox, shingles, pneumonia, influenza, and COVID-19.

<https://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/list>

Climate

Predominantly Mediterranean; alpine in far north; hot, dry in south

Currency (Code)

Euros (EUR)

Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

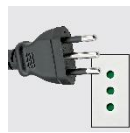
230 V / 50 Hz / plug types(s): C, F, L



Type C



Type F



Type L

Major Languages

Italian, German, French, Slovene

Major Religions

Christian (overwhelmingly Roman Catholic with very small groups of Jehovah's Witnesses and Protestants), Muslim

Time Difference

UTC+1 (6 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time); daylight saving time: +1hr, begins last Sunday in March, ends last Sunday in October

Potable Water

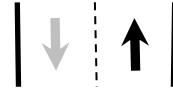
Yes, but some opt for bottled water

International Driving Permit

Suggested

Road Driving Side

Right



Tourist Destinations

Rome (includes Colosseum, Trevi Fountain, Pantheon, Castel Sant'Angelo, Roman Forum); Venice Canals; Pompeii; Leaning Tower of Pisa; Lake Como; Florence (includes Ponte Vecchio, Cathedral, Uffizi Gallery); Sicily; Mount Vesuvius; Amalfi Coast; Hadrian's Villa; Milan (includes Cathedral, La Scala)

Major Sports

Soccer, basketball, rugby, cycling, water polo

Cultural Practices

It is common for Italian friends and families to kiss on the cheek when they meet, irrespective of their gender. Dress neatly and respectfully.

Tipping Guidelines

A service charge, ranging from 1-3 euros, is sometimes added to a restaurant bill, but you can round up for good service. Tip a bartender 1 euro for a round of drinks. Tipping in hotels is not required, but always appreciated. It is appropriate to tip a porter 5 euros, the concierge 1-2 euros (if they provided a service), and housekeeping between 75 cents to 1.5 euros per day. Round up taxi fares.

Souvenirs

Leather goods, designer fashion, artwork, ceramics and pottery, wine and liqueurs, olive oil, cheese, pasta, crystal and blown-glass items

Traditional Cuisine

Pasta dishes; pizza

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